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### Notification of Insufficient Fees (DO/EO/US)

The following items have been submitted by the applicant or the IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as a Designated / Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495).

- Indication of Small Entity Status
- Copy of the International Application filed on 12/02/2005
- Copy of the International Search Report filed on 12/02/2005
- Oath or Declaration filed on 12/02/2005
- Request for Immediate Examination filed on 12/02/2005
- U.S. Basic National Fees filed on 12/02/2005
- Priority Documents filed on 12/02/2005
- Specification filed on 12/02/2005
- Claims filed on 12/02/2005
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The following items **MUST** be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- Additional claim fees of **\$2100** as a small entity, including any required multiple dependent claim fee, are required. Applicant must submit the additional claim fees or cancel the additional claims for which fees are due.

#### SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:

Total additional fees required for this application is **\$2100** for a Small Entity:

- Total additional claim fee(s) for this application is **\$ 2100**
  - **\$1000** for **16** independent claims over 3.

- \$1100 for 47 total claims over 20.

**ALL OF THE ITEMS SET FORTH ABOVE MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN TWO (2) MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR BY 32 MONTHS FROM THE PRIORITY DATE FOR THE APPLICATION, WHICHEVER IS LATER. FAILURE TO PROPERLY RESPOND WILL RESULT IN ABANDONMENT.**

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